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In Re Patent Application Of: **Lautenschlager**      Our File:      **74-05 US Div**  
Serial No:      **09/834,897**      Group:      **3742**  
Filed:      **April 16, 2001**      Examiner:      **Not Assigned**  
FOR:      **Apparatus for Performing Chemical and Physical Processes Without  
Sample Transfer Within a Microwave Radiation Field**

The Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231, U.S.A.

Dear Sir:

**SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Would the Office kindly enter the following preliminary amendment to the application:

**In The Specification**

Please amend paragraph 1 on page 1. This paragraph was previously submitted in a Preliminary Amendment submitted April 16, 2001.

**Attachment A** is a clean copy of the amendment.

**Attachment B** is a marked up copy of the amendment.

**REMARKS**

The priority information previously submitted in a Preliminary Amendment is incorrect.

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